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The Dizi language is spoken by about 7000 people (see Ch. 25, p. 604) who live around Maji town in the southwest of Kefa Province;[1] with Sheko and Nao, it forms a branch of the Omotic family of Afroasiatic (Ch. 13, p. 300). There is very little in print on Dizi, with by far the most extensive work being Toselli 1939, which is essentially a compendium of verb paradigms with grammatical notes and a lexicon. Two more general works are Chiomio 1941 and Conti Rossini 1937. Keefer 1969 and Allan 1974 and forthcoming deal with specialized topics.

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